

W.P.B. CALLS 31 LABOR-MANAGEMENT CONFERENCES

New York Parley Opens Tuesday

WPB Officials Assure Steps to Correct Failure to Notify Unions

By Eric Bert

Thirty-one regional conferences of labor and management, to be held throughout the country during the next two weeks, were called yesterday by Donald M. Nelson, War Production head. The conferences are expected to spur the victory production program and to reach goals considerably beyond present levels.

The first series of conferences will include 2,000 prime contractors engaged in the production of guns, ships, planes, tanks, and machine tools. The campaign, which will be extended later to include sub-contracting plants, will embrace every war factory and every war worker in the country.

New York's production drive conference will be held on two separate days, the first tomorrow and the other a week later. The two-day meeting was found necessary due to the large attendance expected.

Eight hundred representatives of labor and of management are expected to attend the New York meeting which will be held in the auditorium of the Engineering Societies Building at 29 W. 39th St. The meeting will run from 10 A.M. to 5 P.M.

Preparations for the New York conference were marred by failure to notify the unions concerned. Local WPB officials admitted this was a "serious oversight," and stated they are taking steps to correct the situation.

LABOR REPRESENTED

In some instances labor union officials were informed of the conference only through members of the union who, in turn, had received notification of it from the plant management.

Despite the absence of proper notification labor will be fully represented at the conferences, according to Saul Mills, secretary-treasurer of the Greater New York Industrial Union Council.

"This is the type of conference that labor has been urging for several months. We are glad that Mr. Nelson and the WPB have called it. We trust that the failure to notify labor properly has been an oversight," he stated.

"There will be a full and proper labor representation at the conference. Full appreciation of labor's role will bring beneficial results in the war production effort."

In efforts to correct the failure to notify the unions WPB officials have stated that labor representation should properly include not only representatives from the plants concerned, but from the international unions whose members are embraced in the production drive, as well as from the central bodies in the area.

Donald M. Nelson and the War Production Board will be represented at the New York meeting by labor and management consultants. The labor consultants will be Henry J. Adams of the CIO-United Textile Workers of Philadelphia, and Norman Blumber of the Philadelphia AFL-Building Trades Council. The management consultant will be Morris M. Davidson, Rutgers University Director of the Placement and Personnel Bureau.

WPB representatives will be sent to each of the 31 conferences to explain how the objectives of the production drive may be achieved. Nelson has made plain that the WPB objective is to top the goals set by President Roosevelt.

Experience gained in the setting up of 23 joint labor-management committees in scattered plants throughout the nation will be utilized in the coming conferences.

The schedule of the 31 Regional Conferences follows:

Atlanta, Ga., March 23; Baltimore, Md., March 20; Birmingham, Ala., March 24; Boston, Mass., March 17; Buffalo, N. Y., March 19; Chicago, Ill., March 19; Cincinnati, Ohio, March 23; Cleveland, Ohio, March 23; Dallas, Tex., March 26; Denver, Colo., March 27; Detroit, Mich., March 24; Hartford, Conn., March 19; Houston, Tex., March 25; Indianapolis, Ind., March 20; Kansas City, Mo., March 23; Los Angeles, Cal., March 23; Milwaukee, Wis., March 18; Minneapolis, Minn., March 27; Newark, N. J., March 18; New York, N. Y., March 17 and 24; Philadelphia, Pa., March 19 and 26; Pittsburgh, Pa., March 18; Portland, Ore., March 26; Providence, R. I., March 20; San Francisco, Cal., March 24; Seattle, Wash., March 27; Springfield, Mass., March 18; St. Louis, Mo., March 20; Toledo, Ohio, March 25.

Senate to Hear Charges Of Resigned WPB Men

Officials Declare Textile Firms Opposed War Conversion, Aid to USSR

United States Senator James M. Mead, D., N. Y., said today he would ask the Senate Committee investigating defense contracts to "explore" the resignation of three top executives of the War Production Board's textile, clothing and leather goods division.

Robert Guthrie, Division Chief, George P. Doherty, his executive assistant, and Marshall Hale, Jr., Deputy Chief, announced their resignations yesterday, charging that representatives of the industry had blocked the WPB program for converting their plants to war production.

"I am going to bring the matter before the Senate Committee investigating defense contracts tomorrow morning," Mead said in a statement issued here today. "There must be two sides to the story but nothing should be allowed to interfere with the war effort, and I shall request the chairman of our Truman Committee to explore the situation."

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The officials told reporters that industrial representatives, "both within and without the WPB," had consistently blocked efforts to convert the dye, cotton, nylon, woolen and other industries to a wartime basis through rationing, freeze orders and priorities.

In addition, they said, industry representatives were opposed to shipments of rayon to South and Central America and to the speed-

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Read the story on page 3 in today's issue, by John Meldon, Daily Worker staff writer.

Unionists in 5 States Say 'Free Browder'

Six More Ministers Send Pleas to President

Trade union officials in Pennsylvania, Oregon, New York, Connecticut, Washington, Iowa, New Jersey and Missouri have advised the Citizens' Committee to Free Earl Browder that they have joined the more than 2,000 labor officials throughout the country in petitioning the President of the United States for the freedom of Earl Browder, imprisoned anti-fascist.

The petitions from the labor officials to President Roosevelt was in form of individual letters which stated that while they do not identify themselves with the political views of Mr. Browder, they are

"firmly convinced that the sentence imposed upon him was far too severe, as the charge was of a purely

political nature, not involving, according to the Government, any question of moral turpitude."

The letters to the Chief Executive of the nation pointed out that the entire labor movement is contributing its "all" to destroy the Axis powers so that the cause of justice and liberty may survive and triumph. "American justice is the strongest link in the chain of our national morale," the letters said and "the release of Earl Browder would be an act of justice and fair play."

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U. S. Pilots See Action in Australia. This crew of a giant Flying Fortress is leaving the plane after a successful raid on enemy objectives. Men like these, smiling and alert, have recently landed in Australia as part of an American AEF to the Far-Eastern theater of war.

British and Chinese Lines Joined to Stem Attack

U. S. PLANES AID

Heavy Reinforcements From America Are Now in India

CALCUTTA, March 15 (UPI).—More thousands of crack American-armed Chinese troops are pouring into northern and central Burma and British planes have unleashed an offensive against the Japanese swarming across abandoned south Burma on foot, in trucks and even in canoes, it was announced today.

The British and Chinese have now joined forces along their new lines and "operations are proceeding satisfactorily," according to a communique from Mandalay covering events up to 8 P. M. Saturday.

The main Japanese force is still contained in south Burma, the communique said, and "is not fighting." There were no reports of large-scale ground action anywhere in the Burma theater.

"Our forces are rested, reorganized and ready to take on the enemy again," the communique said.

Japanese air raids on two towns in upper Burma and the Shan states where the Chinese are concentrated were "without incident" and no damage was caused, the communique concluded.

U. S. PLANES ARRIVE IN INDIA

NEW DELHI, March 15 (UPI).—Air Marshal Sir Richard E. Peirse, RAF commander in India, announced today that very large United States air reinforcements were pouring into India to launch an aerial offensive which eventually would strike at the home islands of Japan.

To operate these planes, including many of the latest types, he disclosed, American staff officers have set up their own air headquarters in India.

More and more British warplanes also are arriving. The new commander said in his first press conference since his appointment was announced March 6.

(The All-India Radio, heard by the Columbia Broadcasting System listening post in New York, quoted Peirse as saying the American Volunteer group and the RAF had destroyed 200 Japanese planes in Burma with a loss of 42 of their own.

"Aircraft for aircraft," he said, "the British and American are superior to the Japanese. Man for man, I don't think we have any fear of the enemy... I don't underrate the enemy, but if we can meet him on anything like equal terms, we can shoot him from the skies. And he knows it too."

"We are not going to be content," he said, "to put up an umbrella and sit underneath it to wait for the enemy to come to attack us. We are going to carry the war into the enemy's country, into Japan."

For the proposed blow from the air on Japan's home territory, he believed it inevitable that the Allies would use Chinese or Russian bases.

"I can tell you," he declared, "that the circumstances of our air forces today are infinitely better than when the Burmese campaign opened."

The situation in Burma "was very different from that in the southwest Pacific zone," he added, "because in Burma we had been able to gain air superiority from the start."

Since his arrival in India, he said, "we have elaborated very carefully plans for defense and offense. That does not mean plans have just started. Aircraft have been coming into the country for a long time and plans have existed, but now they have been elaborated."

The first task of the growing allied air forces, observers pointed out, would be to resist attacks from the Japanese land and air forces surging toward the Indian frontier in Burma and the Japanese warships fanning out across the Indian Ocean.

Michigan Slavs Adopt Militant War-by-Offensive Program

U. S. and India To Exchange Ministers

Louis Johnson Named As First American Envoy

NEW DELHI, March 15 (UPI).—The United States and India have agreed to exchange ministers, with Louis Johnson, who only a week ago was appointed chairman of an advisory mission to India, as the first United States minister to be appointed.

Johnson, former Assistant Secretary of War, was expected to arrive here in about three weeks.

R. M. Wilson, who last year became the first United States Commissioner to India, has been re-appointed to the post.

Observers believed it significant that the United States in exchanging ministers placed India on the same diplomatic plane as the four British Dominions—Canada, Australia, New Zealand and the Union of South Africa.

INDIA YOUTH SAYS GREETINGS TO YOUTH HERE

NEW DELHI, March 15 (UPI).—The Indian Youth Federation today sent greetings to American youth on the occasion of the observation in New York of India-China Friendship Day, a new holiday established when General

Losses of Trapped Nazi 16th Army Now Total 26,000

Soviets Describe Failure to Supply Encircled Troops with Food

(By Wireless to Inter-Continent News)
MOSCOW, March 15.—Nazi losses in the ever-contracting circle at Stalingrad, where the 16th German Army has been trapped for three weeks, have reached a total of at least 26,000 men, the Soviet Information Bureau reported today.

Continuing to hammer away at the encircled Nazis, the Red Army has liberated 84 inhabited points from the Nazi occupationists since the battle started, the report declared.

The Soviet information service illustrated the desperate lengths that the Nazis are resorting to in an effort to supply the trapped army by citing the case of one Nazi supply plane which attempted to fly in supplies all the way from Vienna.

Two TONS OF FOOD

The plane took off from Vienna under command of Nazi pilot Gerhard Schulz with two tons of cereals and fats aboard. After making intermediate stops in Germany he attempted to land at an airport in the area of the encircled 16th Nazi army.

Just as his wheels touched the runways of the airport a squadron of Soviet fighter planes appeared and swooped down on him. Schulz immediately took off and attempted to land at another airport.

This time more Soviet planes swooped down and Schulz again took off without unloading along with several other Nazi planes seeking to escape the Soviet attack.

The attempt was unsuccessful. The big Nazi transport plane was brought down in a forest. For seven days Schulz and his crew roamed the forests. Two of his men froze to death. Finally Schulz and his mechanic were taken prisoner. They told the story of their futile flight from Vienna.

U. S. Irish Hit Axis, Coughlinites

Issue Statement on St. Patrick Day Celebrations

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The Irish Association is sponsoring a meeting tomorrow night at P. S. 11, 314 W. 21st St. Manhattan with Dr. William Agar, the Rev. Vincent A. Brown of Long Beach, Eugene Connolly and Major General John F. O'Ryan as speakers.

HIT MISREPRESENTATIONS

The Association was formed in the summer of 1941 to express the opinions of the vast majority of Irish Americans who supported President Roosevelt's policies and deplored the misrepresentation in the so-called Irish press in the United States. After Pearl Harbor, the Association disbanded, believing its work done, but the emergence of subversive tendencies in societies and public organizations claiming Irish-American support, made it clear that the Association had a real job ahead.

Recently it waged a struggle against Francis P. Moran, Christian Front Leader in Boston and it is at present opposing the admittance to the bar of John F. Cassidy, another Christian Front director.

Sponsors of the Association include Edward J. Flynn, John J. Kelly, Jeremiah T. Mahoney, Msgr. John A. Ryan, the Rev. H. J. Sweeney, Hon. Thomas F. Meany, Robert McManus, Msgr. Joseph L. O'Brien, Herbert C. F. Bell, Marie Plamondon, the Rev. J. F. Quinn and many others.

Auto Union Head Hits Production Lag

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union's international executive quarterly board meeting that the principal cause of disaffection was the slowness of German production in the war industry.

The finger was placed directly on major auto corporations by 30.1 per cent of the auto workers who accused these companies of sacrificing the welfare of the country to the cause of profits. Many workers pointed to particular plants as examples of how "business as usual" is still retarding all-out production," Thomas said.

Only 15.4 per cent, he said, felt that the Government was responsible for tardy action in war production and that "politics, red tape and friction were holding back efficient government leadership."

The UAW leader quoted a Ford worker as reporting "everything is much too slow. Machines that are ready should be operated on three shifts, seven days a week."

Turkish Paper Warns of Nazi Tricks To Draw the Country Into Axis Net

China Sending Leading Arms Experts to U. S.

(By Chinese News Service)
CHUNGKING, March 15.—Significance has been attached to the announcement that the Chinese Government has decided to dispatch a military mission to Washington.

Commenting on a report published in a Chinese paper that Germany "hopes" that Turkey "will finally define her line of action," the well known editor of *Yeni Sabah*, Yalchin, wrote:

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"They are exerting every effort to attain their aim," Yalchin said, pointing out that the Nazis were attempting to entice Turkey by promising her Syria, Mosul and Iraq as well as parts of Soviet territory.

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Editor Reveals Bait Held Out by Berlin as 'Diabolical Temptations'

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REYNOLD JAFFER, Member of Damon's Club, Cleveland.

ROBERT CLAYMAN, Member of Comite Club.

JASON RICH, well-known social worker in Cleveland.

REV. HEPFERLINE, prominent young Republican and Sports Director, Cleveland YWCA.

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MARY PRUDHOPP, Asst. Editor, Box 200, STONE Organiser, Local 300, MMSU.

TONY MURRAY, Local 58, MMSU.

JOEL CUNNINGHAM, Director, Membership Activities Committee, CIO.

DUANE STEWART, Chairman, Membership Activities Committee, CIO.

AKRON:

BERNARD JONES, Negro Youth Fed.

FRANK MALONE, Secretary-Treasurer, Workers Union.

ANTHONY VETRONI, State Rep.

JOE NIXON, delegate to Barberon Industrial Union Council.

BERNARD MARKS, delegate from Firemen's Local, UERMWA to Akron Industrial Union Council.

STAN JUNIUS, District Steward, UAW Local, Geoddyair Aircraft.

JOHN LEWIS, Member Exec. Board, Russian National YWCA.

LILLIAN EASLEY, Program Director, Kola-Kha, YWCA.

JOHN STILES, Chairman, Student-Industrial Conference, YWCA.

DUKE CURRY, Negro Hand Leader.

CANTON:

JOHN PERRY, Exec. Board, Local 1200, SWOC and Mrs. WAGNER, Exec. Board, League of Women Voters & Industrial Commission, YWCA.

REV. HAROLD E. BREMER, Director of Indiana Methodist Student Center.

REV. L. LEVISON, prominent member of local church in Canton.

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95 Pro-Axis Papers Here Work to Prevent U. S. Offensive

Coughlin Leads Rest In Smearing War Effort

Fifth Column Attack Leaves Martin Dies Unconcerned

By John Meldon

America at war faces more than the guns of the Japanese enemy in the Pacific, the submarines of Hitler in the Atlantic.

A nationwide enemy drive is being conducted within our shores, printing tons of newspapers and other propaganda, finding welcome echo in some of the nation's biggest metropolitan daily newspapers—an enemy drive designed to spread defeatism, create confusion—and above all, to discourage the growing realization of the American government and the people that only by taking the offensive can the Axis be permanently smashed.

At this moment there are nearly 100 pro-Axis publications being printed and widely circulated in and around every key city in the country. Some are openly blatant in praising the Japanese and Nazi Joe that one blinks in astonishment and wonders how they get away with it—and who allows it. Meanwhile, these deadly publications are mushrooming rapidly, and one of the newest—"America in Danger" carries this on its masthead:

"End the War Quickly."

QUIETING LINE

Since Pearl Harbor, these pro-Axis publications have all suspiciously adopted one line of haranguing; the Axis is too powerful to defeat; all talk of an American offensive is doomed to end tragically; America should either make a "graceful" peace with Hitler and Hirohito now, or at least withdraw all naval and land forces "to protect our shores."

While Coughlin's "Social Justice" bows to none of the pro-Axis sheets in its vitriolic attacks upon the nation's war effort, the "Galilean," edited by William Dudley Peiley of "Silver Shirt" notoriety, makes a close bid for second place.

Typical of the line of these sheets in attempting to confuse the people and make them shy away from an offensive war, is the statement of the "Galilean" in a recent issue:

"The strategy announced by Mr. Prime Minister and echoed by Mr. President, presuming to combine the resources of England and America for an all-out invasion of Europe next year, after which they will arrange for a weekend sortie into the Orient and wrest back whatever territorial gains Nippon makes during 1942, has already aroused such a blast of comment throughout the Middlewest that the war morale in respect to the whole liaison may be seriously impaired."

Not do these fascist publications leave any filthy tricks unused to not only spread defeatism, but to smear the heroes of America's fighting forces. In another recent issue, the "Galilean" has this to say:

Consider Major General George Van Horn Moseley, probably one of the most capable soldiers we have in America at the present time, twirling his thumbs in an Atlanta apartment and not being called to do anything of graver consequence than to how beautifully his lifelong colleague, General MacArthur is being trounced in the Philippines. . . .

General Moseley, as everyone knows, is one of the country's most vociferous anti-Semites and an idol of the Christian Front!

Among the other publications doing a wide business and unnoticed by Mr. Dies is the Nazi-aping "Beacon Light," published in California. One of the chief hates of the "Beacon Light" is Jewish Americans, and it further does its bit for Berlin for disseminating "no-offensive" propaganda and screams "we can't win."

Somewhat in the same vein is "Publicity," circulated in the Midwest and published in Wichita, Kansas. "Publicity" had to find a program of its own to hinge its defeatist, pro-fascist ranting upon, so it picked prohibition, which it somehow or other links with its anti-Semitic line.

Another Midwest publication in the fascist camp is "The Individualist," published in Lincoln, Nebraska. "The Individualist" acts as a pimp for Coughlin's line, with a dash of Ku Kluxin thrown in for good measure.

A painstaking survey conducted by Bruce Drummond, Washington correspondent for the Christian Science Monitor, and published in the March 10 issue of that newspaper, reveals that the fifth-column movement in the country is growing to alarming proportions. Mr. Drummond, in his article says that he examined 85 "pro-Nazi, pro-Japanese publications being published in the United States today with a total of several millions."

These publications, he declares are "run by pro-fascist Americans openly doing the war" of the Axis within the nation. It is defeatist. It accepts the loss of the war. It



Max Perlow, manager of Local 76-B of the Furniture Workers Union addresses a group of furniture manufacturers on conversion of the industry for war production. The armed forces need millions of wooden articles which can be produced by the industry. The union and manufacturers are eager to aid the war effort.

whole program of domestic fascism is premised upon the loss of the war."

Right in New York for the asking, one can get copies of "The Hidden Hand," a shameful, brazen attack upon the Jews, written by A. H. Lane; "The Roosevelt Sage," a vicious attack upon the President "The Revolution and the Real Fifth Column," an attack upon the anti-fascist program of the Administration; "Tearing Away the Veil," dealing with the financiers who control the world (the Jews, of course); "The Holy See and the Jews," another anti-Semitic outburst; "The Talmud Unmasked."

ditto, and other pro-Nazi defeatist publications.

All of the above flow from the headquarters of a man who holds a commission as a Colonel in the U. S. Army—Colonel E. N. Sancuary, whose office is at 361 East 146th St.

Swimming along, side by side in this stream of treachery are such publications as Lawrence Dennis' "News Letter" and several varieties of Ku Klux Klan publications, such as "The Fiery Cross."

The Fifth Column in the United States is growing.

It is an indication of the nation's still present complacency.

Florida CIO Urges Attack On Hitler

Resolution to FDR Calls for Action Against 'Cliveden Set'

(Special to the Daily Worker)

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., March 15.—The recently formed CIO Industrial Union Council here has urged President Roosevelt to "take energetic action against any American 'Cliveden Set' and all other Fifth Columns in America" in a resolution for offensive action against Hitlerism.

"This is a new kind of war," stated the resolution, "and must be fought in a new way. The immediate months ahead will be crucial and even decisive. Only the offensive together with the great democratic unfolding of the war effort can stir the people of the United States to greater action and turn the tide of battle."

It is operated for the U. S. Army by the Western Cartridge Co.

R. V. Rickard, industrial relations manager for the U. S. Cartridge Co., a subsidiary of Western, said today. A third Netherlander was executed for alleged Communism, the newspaper revealed.

FOUR POINT PROGRAM

Charging that "the disgraceful waste of time in converting industry into an all-out war production has cost our military forces untold quantities of weapons, and the lives of many men," the CIO Council demanded cooperation of government, industry and labor, "so that the productive enterprises of this nation may turn the blueprints of war needs into realities."

In a four-point program the Council underscored the immediate needs for a successful war effort:

1. Improved working conditions to make possible more complete utilization of the skill and productive capacity of the American worker.

2. Formation of labor-management advisory committees in each plant for the purpose of planning increased production.

3. Twenty-four-hour production in all plants producing war materials.

4. Make it clear to President Roosevelt that he must take energetic action against any American "Cliveden Set" and all other Fifth Columns in America."

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Local 10 United Committee Holds Final Election Rally Tomorrow Night

The United Committee for the Election of a Representative Administration in Local 10, International Ladies Garment Workers Union, will hold its final election rally tomorrow at Manhattan Center at 6 P. M.

Arnold Ames, candidate for president on the united slate, will be the main speaker. He will discuss the issues and merits of the candidates. Samuel Steigman, chairman of the Amalgamated Cutters Committee, will preside.

In an open letter to members of Local 10, Ames declared that "unless any other election this takes place at a time when the democratic countries and all the forces

CIO Electric Union Wins Jobs for Negroes in Many War Industries

By George Morris

(This is the fifth of a series on experiences with joint management-labor war production committees.)

Employment of Negroes for war production, advanced in recent months according to last week's report of the President's Fair Employment Practice Committee, has received much impetus where joint management-labor production committees function.

Many locals of the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers, CIO, pioneers in advancing the joint plant committee for months, have already proven how effective such committees could be in extending labor supply—and obtaining it from the ranks of black and white.

This is all the more significant, as the union is in industries which for many years have maintained a Negro exclusion policy.

A survey of U. S. locals and interviews with leaders, shows how the union has been gradually breaking through this bar.

In some cases the actual numbers involved are small, but very important in relation to the background.

60 NEGROES HIRED

The hiring of 60 Negroes by the Ford Instrument Co. of Long Island City is almost an historic incident. It comes after a long fight that had been waged by the union and organizations such as the National Negro Congress.

"Yes," said President James McLeish of District 4, U. E., "they have been hired at the regular 60

cent hiring rate and will be scaled upward five cents after four months, and on up, in accordance with our contract."

The Ford Instrument Co., now employing some 4,000 workers on all sorts of important equipment for guns and Navy craft, has always received the same time when confronted by union arguments or delegations about its need of only skilled labor. Negroes don't happen to be skilled, and, anyway, if the company would hire them the "workers would object." This threadbare story has been met everywhere. So has its companion, the description by a company official of the fine Negro cook he had in his home for 20 years, as evidence that the company does not discriminate.

This story, cook and all, was once actually delivered by the head of Sperry Gyroscope, which is associated with Ford Instrument, to a committee of the Negro Congress.

UNION PRESSES ISSUE

Now the story is so thin it had to be scrapped. The Ford Instrument Local of the UE adopted a resolution demanding that the company hire Negroes. In face of mass hiring of inexperienced workers, the argument about skilled labor fell.

McLeish said the union is pressing the issue in every shop, sending Negroes in response to calls for workers and is determined to fight every manifestation of discrimination. As a consequence, the number of Negroes is growing in many New Jersey shops. He said that about 200 are now employed in shops of Edison Industries, Inc. Solar Manufacturing of Newark hired about 25

some 70 workers in sheet metal wares. The contract provides for hiring through the union. Asked for a helper, Gilbert sent a Negro who was experienced in the line. The hiring boss refused to take him. When Gilbert called up Mr. Parmel, the owner, the latter replied:

"Tell you, we are going to need a porter next week, send him over as a porter."

"If you need a porter," Gilbert replied, "notify the union in the usual way. We sent this man as a helper. You have hired white workers with experience than he has."

WIN JOB FIGHT

He added that if the Negro was not hired, the union will make an issue of the case as a contract violation. The employer asked to consult his works manager. The Negro servant he has in his home to allay all doubts. When Pearl Harbor days came and a joint plant production committee was formed, the problem of getting more workers, especially skilled workers, for a new shift, came up. The union's representatives on the committee again proposed that the company hire Negroes. Morris' representatives tried the old one about the "workers objecting" and promised to start hiring Negroes as soon as separate locker rooms are provided for them. The union pointed out how time and again the shop was represented at conferences in support of full Negro rights and how repeatedly the workers of the shop have called for equal employment opportunities for Negroes. The company was disarmed.

CRACKING JIM CROW

Hal Simon, member of the shop committee in Morey's, with Nick Kazakas, another member present, described to me how six Negro workers have already been placed on production.

"We have a pipe hand and shape hand, a learner in the tool room, a man in the crating department and two Negro maintenance men who have been shifted to production," Simon said. "The skilled men get the regular rate of 90 cents as the others. They have received the finest cooperation from the other workers."

Local 1227 is carrying on an extensive educational campaign among its members on the importance of fighting for equal rights for Negroes. Shop after shop meeting voted for a resolution approving the policy and called upon the responsible employers to hire Negroes.

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Start Offensive Baltimore CIO Declares

(Special to the Daily Worker)

BALTIMORE, March 15.—"A military offensive at an early date by the United Nations will require the fullest support of all workers in war industries," is the conclusion drawn in a special-delivery letter sent this week to all major affiliates to the Maryland and District of Columbia Industrial Union Council, signed by Sidney R. Katz, secretary-treasurer.

The letter urged the CIO unions to support proposals for joint labor-management victory production boards as the fulfillment of the CIO's production program for victory.

"We in Maryland and the District of Columbia will accept this opportunity of serving the nation," the letter said. "Well over 300,000 war workers in the Government service, building ships, airplanes, tanks, making steel and explosives, all workers for the war in this area, will work for victory. A military offensive at an early date by the United Nations will require the fullest support of all workers in war industries."

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Fight on Dies Committee Shifts Against Bid for Funds

Senator Demands Retention of Five-Cent Fare in Radio Address

Muzzicato Bill Goes to Assembly for Final Action Tonight

"Operation of the city subway system on the basis of the five-cent fare with a deficit is just as much a social service as medical care, the school system or police protection," State Senator Dr. Charles Muzzicato stated in a discussion broadcast over station WOR yesterday.

Senator Muzzicato spoke in opposition to the suggestion made by the Committee of Fifteen to raise the subway fare. The much discussed Muzzicato Five-Cent Fare Bill passed the Senate last Monday and is slated for passage in the Assembly tomorrow night.

"I am opposed to raising the fare on the specific grounds that adding a 50 per cent increase in subway fares at a time when all the other costs of living are rising would be a real blow to the morale of our citizens," he declared in amplifying his statement that a rise would be particularly unfortunate at this time.

The Senator also placed his opposition on the premise that the present method of subway operation is comparable in all essential respects to other services financed partially or wholly, by the city.

SUBSIDIZED SERVICE

"There are certain characteristics which distinguish services the city is already legitimately performing, whether or not they pay for themselves." Senator Muzzicato explained, "and all of them are applicable to five-cent subway service."

The most important characteristic of these subsidized services is that they occur in fields where the average beneficiary of the service can not afford to pay his full share of the actual cost. The proposal to raise the fare by 50 per cent is equivalent to a 1 1/2 per cent gross income tax levy for the average subway rider. Income statistics show that the average family in New York City can make this additional payment only by sacrificing health and morale at the most critical time in our history."

"Therefore," Senator Muzzicato concluded, "the city performs a real social service when it operates the subway system on a five-cent fare basis and makes up the deficit from tax revenue."

Delay on Penn Line Caused By Derailment

(By United Press)

The Pennsylvania Railroad said that early morning trains operating between New York and Washington were delayed about three or four hours today by derailment of seven cars of a freight train on the main line at Darby, Pa., near Philadelphia.

No one was injured. Cause of the derailment was not revealed in reports sent here, a Pennsylvania official said.

Former Judge Heads Russian Relief Group

Benjamin Greenspan Is Chairman of Upper Manhattan Committee

Judge Benjamin E. Greenspan, former Judge of the Magistrate's Court and president of the Wall Street Synagogue, has accepted the chairmanship of the Upper Manhattan Committee of Russian War Relief, an affiliate of the national Russian War Relief Agency, it was announced yesterday.

Included in the list of sponsors of the committee are the Reverend S. Tagart Steele, Jr., vicar of Trinity Parish Chapel of the Intercession; Dr. Seymour Jaslow, and Rabbi R. Maier.

Although one of the most recently-formed of the Russian War Relief groups, the Upper Manhattan Committee has already contributed more than \$1,000 for medical supplies to Russia, and has enlisted the aid of thousands of New Yorkers in this cause.

"With the imminence of spring and the possibility of a violent Hitler counter-offensive," said Judge Greenspan, in accepting his post with the relief committee, "it is imperative that Americans understand now the importance of Russia's stand to our own fight."

The Upper Manhattan Committee of Russian War Relief, under Judge Greenspan's guidance, intends to launch its Spring drive in co-operation with the general campaign of the entire relief organization, under the slogan "Help Russia This Spring for victory this year."

Hold Widespread Blackout Test In Westchester

(Special to the Daily Worker)

YONKERS, N. Y., March 15.—One of the most extensive tests yet held in the United States took place in Westchester County last night when fire alarms and whistles sounded the alarm in six cities, 21 villages and 18 towns.

These regular rules for blackouts were observed with pedestrians taking cover, motorists pulling to the sides of curbs, blinds being drawn on all passing trains, and street and parkway lights going out. Even Sing Sing's windows were darkened. Civilian defense volunteers were at their posts throughout the blackout.

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ALBANY, March 15.—The New York State Industrial Commission has granted dispensation to over 450 plants in war production to increase production. Longer hours, night work, and multiple shifts are among the changes that have been agreed upon. AFL and CIO officials are cooperating in the program to protect the rights of labor.

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Unity in Action and an End to Factionalism Is Issue in Coming Election in Local 22, I. L. G.W.U.

By G. Sharfstein

This is the first in a series of two articles discussing forthcoming elections in ILWGU Local 22.

The remarkable thing about the forthcoming elections in the Dressmakers Local 22 is that there is virtually no divisions of opinion between the Progressive (Administration) Group and the Rank and File Group on the basic issue of the war and on the main problems confronting the union. So at least it would seem from the campaign literature issued by both groups. Each set of leaflets and folders stresses the fight against the fascist Axis as the permanent issue, and one group vies with the other in its advocacy of unity in the Dressmakers Union as a component element of the larger national unity. Printed in bold face is the assertion in one of the leaflets of the Progressive Group that:

"We must not permit our unity in the war, in the fight against Nazism and fascism, to be endangered by our controversies."

Even more outspoken is the unity plank in the election program of the Progressive Group. We quote it verbatim, bold face and all:

"We stand today, as we have always stood, for the firmest and most extensive unity in our ranks. We strive for the solidarity and united action of all dreammakers without regard to political belief or affiliation. Especially because of

the emergency of the war must we continue to build up such unity. Active cooperation in carrying through the union activities in the present war emergency is the soundest basis for such unity."

There is little to choose between this admirable profession of faith and the statements of the Rank and File Group on the subject of unity. This group, too, states that "past differences must be submerged in the paramount interest of the present" and that "the urgencies of the times demand unity. It is our essential desire that the elections in our local will result in a powerful united union capable of safeguarding the general welfare of the workers to enable them to produce and make contributions in the interest of real unity."

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The answer is obvious: the Progressive Group, i.e., the administration headed by Charles S. Zimmerman, Manager of Local 22, refuses to honor its own unity plank. Not only has the administration rejected the proposal of the Rank and File Group for a joint slate of candidates, it has embroiled on the front page of its program the slogan of factionalism and group domination by designating itself as the Progressive Group, thus implying opposition, if not hostility, to the other group which in the last local elections polled almost 40 per cent of the total vote and which now is ready to submerge past differences in the interest of real unity.

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Hearst, Enemy of the American Republic

William Randolph Hearst is continuing his disgraceful record of anti-Americanism by what he considers slick work at poisoning Americans against their own government and the United Nations. This is the chore of this enemy within our gates in the Spring offensive against America and its allies in the war.

Under the guise of running "historical" material about Japan, Hearst has been sneaking in laudation of Tokio's depraved ruling clique. Recently he went so far, in his front page column in the New York Journal-American, as to picture the Japanese samurai rule as a practical paradise. This cruel regime exploiting the Japanese people for a clique of feudal lords—the predecessors of the present gang around the "God-Emperor"—is represented as an era of "prosperity and gaiety," to quote Hearst's own words.

And what is the purpose behind all this "historical" twaddle?

It is in order that Hearst may represent this regime of bloodshed and oppression as superior to the present government of the United States. This is specifically what Hearst says, painting conditions in the Japanese city of Osaka under the samurai as better than our country under the Roosevelt administration.

This derision of our democratic government as inferior to the régime of our fascist enemies is taken whole-cloth from the fiction factories of Goebbels and Tojo. It has about it the stench of sedition.

In his eagerness to aid the Axis, Hearst draws still further from Hitler's inspiration. Through his hired man, Benjamin De Casseres, he seeks to spread suspicion against the Soviet Union, the British government and all of America's allies. In doing this, he assails the leaders of the Chinese and Indian people through the lowest of appeals to race hatred. "They are not Anglo-Saxons," writes this Hearst scribbler, "or even Latins," saying that because of this fact no trust can be put in them.

Such straining to stir up Ku Klux Klanism, such slurs upon the Negroes and the other darker races are the mark of the political agent for Hitler. They have no place in American life. They are devised to divide the American people, to create disruption among them at the hour when national unity is needed the most, to work up suspicions among the Allies at the moment when Hitler looks to his fifth column to divide the free nations. That is precisely what William Randolph Hearst is doing. He is the mouthpiece of the appeasers, the enemy of the American Republic.

Women at the Work Bench

America has a reserve of 7,000,000 women who can be drawn into industry, says the National Industrial Conference Board. Up to the present, only a comparatively small portion of these possible war workers has been inducted into the nation's shops and factories.

Everyone who wishes seriously to advance the offensive character of the war on the part of the United Nations will appreciate that women will have to be given places at the work-bench and "the belt" more rapidly than is now the case. One of the suggestions made by the Soviet trade union delegation to Great Britain was in pointing to the great possibility of releasing thousands of men for the front by a more widespread use of women's services in the factories.

We can take this suggestion to heart in this country. It is not by dwelling constantly on our potential power, but by dynamically making that power register that we will win the war. This entails the rapid mobilization of millions of men for warfare against the enemy "where he is." By the same token, it implies the drawing of millions of women into industrial pursuits.

We believe that the trade unions can take the lead in this matter. The registry of women for war production is something that is sorely required and the trade unions can do no better than to press for such a registry without delay.

By taking a positive stand for the training of women workers and their entry into industry, the unions will be performing no small service to the nation. They will also be more readily able to insist upon equal pay for equal work for these women, as the recent Gallup Poll registered in the desire of the majority of the American people. The unions, in going to the fore for the quicker placing of women in the shops, will be preparing these millions of new workers to be loyal members of the trade union movement.

Let's not forget: Every new woman working at the bench is one more man free to engage in military service against the nation's enemies.

The Unity Trend In the ILGW

The trend in the present series of local elections in the International Ladies Garment Workers has already been made clear by the results in Locals 9 and 117.

In Local 9, the left progressives elected six of their 10 nominees for business agents. They also elected 11 members to the executive board consisting of 24 members. In Local 117, the left progressives elected seven of their nine nominees for business agents.

Of special significance was the fact that many known Communists were among those who won and drew the highest votes. Joseph Boruchowitz, well-known Communist who was defeated for manager of Local 117 by only 217 votes, nevertheless obtained 3,111 votes—more than any Communist had received in the local since 1925. At the same time the most violent red-baiters were defeated.

The outcome in these two contests should encourage the membership to elect a united, representative leadership in the elections still to be held, including Local 22 (dress-makers); Local 60 (dress pressers); Local 10 (cutters); and especially in Knitgoods Local 155, the one local where an appeaser foe of President Roosevelt's foreign policy, Louis Nelson, is seeking re-election as manager.

These results show an important trend: The beginning of realignments in the locals and the breaking down of the hard and fast group lines which the ILGW leadership has sought to retain.

The left progressives, united with constructive forces that have been aligned with "right" groups, sought to achieve in the election a united leadership which would give representation to all the different viewpoints in the locals and thus achieve the kind of unity behind the war drive which is today the trend throughout the entire labor movement. The successes of these progressive forces and the close vote in those cases where they lost, demonstrate that this unity approach was correct and was well understood by the workers.

It is obvious that the actual results of the two elections contradict the statement of President Dubinsky to the effect that the contests constituted a repudiation of the United Front and of the Communists.

In electing known Communists and in breaking through group lines, the workers accomplished something which the ILGW leadership has unfortunately sought to prevent—they achieved a leadership at least partly representative of all trends in the unions which will help solve the problems of the garment workers as well as stimulate the role of the locals in the war effort.

Unquestionably the left progressives will accept the election results in a spirit of unity and continue their efforts for the complete unification of the ranks of the garment workers.

Letters From Our Readers

Labor's Viewpoint Over the Air

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I should like to inform you of my deep appreciation for Labor's Newroom. It isn't often that labor has an opportunity to present its side of the news over the air, and I take every opportunity I can to listen to it. For straightforward news you top them all. J. L.

How Long?

New York, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Earl Browder is imprisoned solely for exercising his constitutional right to have and to express his political opinions, the political opinions of a legally recognized party. Imprisoned under the transparent camouflage of an infraction of a passport regulation violated by many others who were never molested. Imprisoned, in fact, because he learned how to fight Nazis years before the government itself woke up to the situation.

How long is our Federal Government going to appease the Axis and all its treacherous friends in this country by denying the petitions of millions of Americans convinced that the imprisonment of Earl Browder was not only a gross injustice but a slap in the face to our sacred Bill of Rights? M. C.

Constant Listener

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I've been listening to your newscast, Labor's News Room, since the first day it started. I look forward to it because I can take the news I get from it out into the street without worrying about making a mistake.

I was glad to hear of the daily broadcast set for 9:45 nightly. It should have been that way long ago. Here's hoping that the Daily Worker will stay on the air.

Sorry I can't help financially right now, but hope I'll be able to in the near future. A little coming from many people would help to make a bigger and better broadcast. L. C.

Indiana Sub Getter Writes . . .

Huntington, Ind.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I sure hate to be without the Daily Worker but I don't see any work in sight until the weather gets milder. As soon as I get work—I'll send money along for a subscription.

I have been fortunate enough in getting many new subs in Fort Wayne, but at the moment, due to lack of work in these parts, subs have dropped off. I have had some very good compliments on the paper.

Wishing every success in the future to America's best workers' paper. A. E.

Inspiring Example

Detroit, Mich.

Editor, Daily Worker:

The story of Red Army courage is one of the most inspiring tales of heroism the world has ever known. Their magnificent defense of their homeland is lauded the world over, and sets an inspiring example to the armed forces of all the free nations of the world, and especially to those guerrilla forces operating in the Hitler conquered countries. F. J. F.

Don't Let Him Block the Road!



Passage of Pepper-Geyer Bill to Outlaw Poll Taxes Is Needed to Help Win the War

By Rob. F. Hall
(Special to the Daily Worker)

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., March 15.—

The one great issue before the people today is the war against the Axis. Nothing else is as important as this life and death struggle. Our past progress, our independence, our very existence as a nation, are at stake. The war must be taken into account in every thing we say or do. In order to guarantee victory, we must put aside all special interests that may tend to divide us, and work together regardless of racial, national, religious or political differences.

In the primary elections that are taking place throughout the South, the war is the real issue. Because of the "one-party" system the candidate nominated in the primary is practically sure of election. For this reason, the Southern people, Negro and white, and their organizations, cannot be indifferent to what happens in the primaries. Those men who are elected, especially those who go to Washington to represent us in Congress—must be the ones who will give the fullest, the most able, the most self-sacrificing support to the winning war.

This is the yardstick by which the voters must measure every candidate. And this is also the yardstick by which we must measure all proposed laws.

TWO THOUGHTS

There are two thoughts which come immediately to my mind after the above paragraph.

The first is that every candidate SAYS he supports the war.

The second is that because of the poll tax in eight of the Southern states and disfranchisement of the Negro people in the remaining ones, three-fourths of the Southern people cannot vote.

In regard to the first, we can say that if the candidate REALLY supports the war, he will support every step necessary to winning the war.

What are the steps necessary to win the war? In brief, they are whatever can be done to bind our whole people together in a great national unity behind the Roosevelt administration's conduct of the war; to cement closer ties with our allies, and especially Britain and the Soviet Union; to take a militant offensive against the Axis, including the opening of a Western Front; to secure the fullest mobilization of men, machines and natural resources to swell our production of all the materials of war for ourselves and our allies; to guarantee that our people will be well fed, physically equipped to perform their duties in the armed forces, in the mills or on the farms, and finally to preserve and extend democracy, real democracy, with a free and equal people enjoying the privileges and rights as well as the responsibilities of citizenship. An essential and vital step to secure this objective is the abolition of the poll tax and all other un-democratic restrictions on the right to vote.

The Southern people are quite prepared to postpone adjustment of their special grievances if such an adjustment interfered with the war effort. We ask the question: will the abolition of the poll tax hinder or help the war effort? And the answer is clearly that this would HELP the war effort. It would bring new millions of Southerners into the stream of political action, providing fresh reinforcements to strengthen the support for Roosevelt's Victory program.

It is not surprising therefore to

find in Congress men like Dies, who was elected by a vote five or six times smaller than that of a Congressman from a Northern state.

Or men like Cox of Georgia, whose vote in 1938 was only three

per cent of the population of his district.

These poll tax Congressmen and Senators are thus returned to Washington year after year. Under the rules of Congress, their seniority entitles them to the key positions of chairmen of the most important committees. Thus they are able to command far more power than progressives elected by labor and the common people from non-poll tax states.

EXPENSIVE VOTES

Poll tax has made voting expensive. It ranges from \$1 in Arkansas to \$2 in Tennessee. In four states, it is cumulative and piles up for several years. In Alabama and Georgia, it can pile up for 24 and 39 years respectively, and a man may have to pay \$36 to vote.

That would work a hardship in any state. But in the South, it is a special burden because of the low income of our people. In Texas in 1938 the average per capita income per year was \$399; in Mississippi it was \$205. For comparison, it was \$515 for the entire country.

In those states where the poll tax was merely a law on the statute books (North Carolina, Florida and Louisiana) it has been repealed by the people. But in most of the other states, the poll tax was placed in the state constitution and is therefore very hard to eliminate. The little cliques in control are unwilling to amend themselves out of power.

That is why the Southern people have themselves turned to the Federal Government and to Congress for action to abolish the poll tax and restore democracy to the South.

SENATE BILL

A bill has been introduced into the Senate by Senator Pepper of Florida (S. 1280). A similar bill introduced by Geyer is still pigeonholed by the House Judiciary Committee. This bill would abolish the poll tax in all elections for President, Congressmen and Senators.

The overwhelming majority of the people are opposed to the poll tax. President Roosevelt said that he has always been against it. The labor movement, including the CIO, AFL and the Railroad Brotherhoods, have endorsed the Pepper-Geyer bill. The National Farmers Union, several state Leagues of Women Voters, Negro organizations, and thousands of other have taken the same position.

The abolition of the poll tax must be delayed no longer. It is a necessary war measure. Only in this way will the Southern people be able to voice their full support of the President's Victory Program. Only in this way can we take from the appeasers, the Ku Kluxers and the Southern members of the "Cliveden set" the right to sit in Washington and knife the war program in the back.

These men, who are enemies of the people and obstacles to winning the war, can hold office only because of the chains which fetter democracy in the South.

Because of the poll tax, less than 25 per cent of the adult population in the eight poll tax states voted in the 1940 elections. In the rest of the country, close to 70 per cent of the adults voted.

2—Demand that every candidate for office, in the primaries as well as in the general election, shall express his support of the poll tax and on the Pepper-Geyer bill. Support for election those Win-the-War candidates who stand for the abolition of the poll tax, and for democracy in the South.

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Lolya, Tiny Partisan, Wins Honors for Warrior Courage

By Janet Weaver

(By Wire to Inter-Continent News)

MOSCOW, March 15.—She introduced herself simply as "Lolya." Nothing more. She is still a member of a guerrilla detachment operating in the German rear and it is taking an unnecessary chance to disclose her full name.

Lolya is a small girl with big blue eyes, round face and delightful smile like a baby's. Her brown hair is cut short. She wears a big fur hat, khaki tunic, breeches, high felt boots.

To look at her one would never think that this girl could even scare the Germans, but after listening to the stories about her experiences behind the German lines one realizes more than ever that it's not quantity but quality that counts.

More than one Fascist met his death and more than one German tank has been destroyed because of her.

Lolya was a high school geography teacher before the war. She has two brothers in the Red Army. She joined the Partisans in October and has been with them ever since.

"JUST FIGHTS GERMANS"

She talked about her life as a partisan matter-of-factly. What to us might seem an extraordinary feat for a girl, to her is but a part of everyday life. When we asked her what she does in the Detachment, she said she sometimes acts as a scout, sometimes mines roads and destroys German transports and sometimes "just fights Germans."

She said there were many girls in the detachment, all of them full-fledged fighters using the same arms as the men, including automatic rifles, some of which are Russian and some captured from the Germans. "And we all know how to use them" she added significantly.

The detachment operates in a certain district as long as it is necessary to drive the Germans out and then moves on to another district, she said. "The Detachment rarely acts as a whole but is broken up into small groups," she said. "Each group is given a different task."

She, for instance, was appointed commander of a group of 7 girls and she told us of one of their operations.

Soviet Girl's Heroism Radioed to Millions

By Sylvia Taylor

Hundreds of millions of people all over the world heard the story of Zoya Kosmodemyanskaya on the radio Saturday night when the "This Is War" program re-enacted the heroic death of this 18-year-old Soviet girl who fought the Nazis in a guerrilla detachment.

Sponsored by the U. S. Office of Facts and Figures, this series of broadcasts goes out every Saturday night at 7 over the four major networks to an estimated listening audience of 30 million in this country. The most recent program, the fifth to date, was dedicated to the United Nations, and followed upon other dramatizations devoted to such themes as the White House, the Army and the Navy.

Short-Waved Abroad And Rebroadcast

Each program is shortwaved to Britain, Canada, the Latin American countries and from whence rebroadcast in a dozen different languages to all corners of the globe. Saturday night's broadcast was especially fitting for peoples abroad, for it not only explained to Americans here at home what our allies are doing in the common effort to crush the Axis fascists, but showed our allies too how deeply America appreciates their valorous struggle on the many fighting fronts.

The tribute to the United Nations opened with the sound of marching feet and then above that deep solid rhythm rose the voices of a chorus singing one of the most stirring Red Army songs. Do you hear those voices, said the narrator, they are the army and the people of Soviet Russia. Why do we begin this tribute to our allies with the Soviet Union, he asked. Because it is the Russians who are fighting most valiantly and sacrificially against the common foe. We Americans are not Communists. But Russia is not just an ideology, a theory, a word. It is 200 million brave people. People like Zoya Kosmodemyanskaya!

Zoya Portrayed As Typical Russian

And with that, the program re-enacted the whole story of the young guerrilla fighter who was captured by the Nazis during a raid, lashed 200 times and forced to walk barefoot in the snow all night. But she refused to betray the rest of her partisan unit. Brought to the gallows, she shouted her defiance to the Nazis before the assembled townspeople and died shouting "Victory!"

From the Soviet people the program turned to the British and, their RAF, to the Dutch at Rotterdam and in the East Indies, to the Free French, the Norwegian saboteurs, the Yugoslavs fighting in the hills, to all the peoples of Europe who are free in mind though the Nazis occupy their lands and torture their bodies.

It was a bold and fighting-man program, and it did not spare the lash of scorn for the worms among us who have crawled out of the woodwork since Pearl Harbor to

nibble away at the unity of the nation by straining to build. One scene was set in a railroad car pulling North from Washington. The voices of the splitters, the red-baiters were heard, crying Communism, reviling the Soviet Union, threatening post-war catastrophes, smearing the "foreigners" who are our allies. The narrator's voice cracked out, labeling them the rats they are, exposing their splitting tactics, linking them with the appeasers.

Another scene in Hollywood was cut in, and you heard the alarms about where was our fleet when this happened and that, what's they mean trying to scare the pants off us Californians? Out punched the narrator: join the Navy, brother, and you'll find out where the fleet is! And where were you when the shells fell on our ships at Santa Barbara?

Appeasers and Red-Baiters Lashed

The broadcast ended with the men of the United Nations filing past John Jones, and greeting him as his own tongue. Jones has a wife and three kids and he knows what these lads are fighting for. He steps in with them.

Early reports from the networks indicated the response to the broadcast was wildly enthusiastic. One father called CBS and begged for a re-broadcast so his kids could hear it. A playwright phoned in to request a recording of the show (price \$10) so he could play it again and again for everyone he knows.

In the studio, where this writer witnessed the broadcast, there were tears in everyone's eyes after Zoya's story and a great lift in spirit when the last bar of music had been played.

The wide response in phone calls and letters to the stations will undoubtedly mean more such broadcasts. They will do great things for America's morale. Next week's show will be written by Donald Ogden Stewart. It's called "On Your Own" and dramatizes what you can do in the war effort.

The United Nations script was written by George Faulkner; the music was by Tom Bennett, orchestra conducted by Andre Kostelanetz. Norman Corwin directed the program. Thomas Mitchell was the narrator and Ann Shepherd the Russian girl.

'Moby Dick' Screened By Warner Studio

Robert Rossen has been assigned by Warner Bros. to write the screenplay for "Moby Dick" from the novel by Herman Melville. The picture has been placed on the studio's schedule for production later in the year.

Louis Budenz--Labor's Newsroom, WHOM, 9:45

Edward G. Robinson, George Raft co-star in "Man of Power." WABC 9 P.M. . . . Judge Ferdinand Pecora Discusses National Defense. WMCA 9 P.M. . . . Daily Worker Newscast, WHOM, 9:45 P.M.

MORNING
9:00-WNYC—Masterwork Hour
WABC—News
9:15-WABC—American School of the Air
9:30-WOR—News
WJZ—Breakfast Club
10:00-WOR—Food Hour
WNYC—Defense Program
WOR—Column of the Air, Sergio
11:00-WABC—News
WOR—News
WABC—Victory in the Home
WNYC—News
WNYC—Consumer Information Program
WOR—The Music Shop
11:15-WOR—Beatty, Talks for Women
WNYC—Musical Comedy Memories
11:45-WNYC—You and Your Health AFTERNOON
12:00-WNYC—News at Noon
WOR—John B. Hughes Reviews
WNYC—Wednesday Symphony
WABC—Kate Smith Speaks
WOR—Midafternoon Music
12:30-WOR—News
WNYC—National Farm and Home Hour
WHN—Dance Music
1:30-WNYC—Metropolitan Review, Ralph
WOR—Marine Dean Talks for Women
WNYC—News
WOR—Light Classics
1:30-WOR—News
WHN—News
2:45-WNYC—Worrell Time, Baseball
3:00-WOR—Baseball Game vs. Washington
WABC—Dancers
WABC—News
WOR—Your Request Program
3:30-WABC—Columbia Concert Hall
3:45-WNYC—Paths to Music
3:55-WOR—Vic and Sade
3:55-WNYC—Civilian Defense News
4:00-WOR—Gill Matinees
WOR—Midafternoon Music
4:15-WNYC—Broadcast of "Keep 'Em Flying" Through Transcription
4:45-WHN—News
WABC—News
5:00-WOR—News
WNYC—News for Young People
WOR—Children's Hour
WJZ—Children's Programs
WOR—Estelle M. Sternberg, Talk
5:45-WOR—News
EVENING
6:00-WOR—News
WOR—Dance Music
WOR—Uncle Don
WJZ—News
WNYC—Music School Program
WABC—News Commentator
WHN—Capo, Tim Healey's Stamp
Talk
WOR—Music to Remember
8:15-WOR—Sports News, Jack Riley
WABC—Hedda Hopper's Hollywood

6:30-WNYC—Sports News, Jimmy Powers
WEAF—Brazilian Music
WOR—News
WABC—Selective Service News
WABC—Songs
WQXR—Dinner Concert
6:30-WHOR—Commentator
6:45-WHOR—Commentator
WEAF—Sports News, Bill Stearn
WJZ—Lowell Thomas, Commentator
WOR—Hers Morgan
WOR—The World Today
WHN—Sports News, Dick Fishell
8:30-WNYC—Civilian Defense News
7:00-WOR—Raid Precautions and Rest of Masterwork Hour
7:00-WNYC—News
WEAF—Waring's Orchestra
WOR—News from Lomax
WHN—News from Hollywood
WQXR—Evening Concert
7:15-WOR—Confidential Yours
WABC—Lannie Ross Songs
WOR—Cavalcade of America, William F. E. K.
Lindsay, Commentators
WABC—Blondie
WQXR—Masterworks in Music
WOR—News Commentator
7:45-WMCA—Johannes Steel Commentator
WHN—News from Washington
8:00-WMCA—News
8:30-WMCA—News
9:00-WMCA—News
WOR—Mixing Up the News, Cal
Tinney
WNYC—Love a Mystery
WNYC—Transcribed Program from London
WQXR—Symphony Hall
8:15-WOR—Bob Schuster, Commentator
8:30-WOR—Richard Crooks, Son
Recital
WOR—Music by Morton Gould
WOR—Music by Paul Draper, Quiz
WOR—Gay Nineties Review by Beatrice Kay
WOR—News Commentator
8:45-WOR—Man of Power
9:00-WOR—Dr. IQ
WABC—News
WOR—News Commentator
WJZ—National Radio Forum
WHN—Careers for the Nation
9:30-WMCA—Defense Talk by Judge
WOR—Lester P. Peck, Commentator
9:15-WOR—Answerman
WQXR—Personalities
9:45-WMCA—News
10:00-WMCA—News
WEAF—Concerted Hour
WOR—Raymond Orm Swings
10:45-WOR—For Theater Amateur Hour
10:45-WOR—Ramon Songs
WABC—News
WOR—News Commentator
10:45-WQXR—Tomorrow's Headlines
11:00-WMCA—News
WEAF—News
WOR—News
WJZ—News
WABC—Edward R. Murrow, Commentator
WOR—National Theater of the Air
WQXR—Just Music
11:45-WOR—His Master's Voice
12:45-WOR—Sports News, Jack Riley
WABC—Hedda Hopper's Hollywood

THE JITTERS

Cary Grant and Priscilla Lane are standing not upon the order of their going, but going at once, in a scene from the film version of "Arsenic and Old Lace," soon to be shown in New York

News Notes For the Dial Twisters

By Eric Munx.

The Nazis are trying in every way to prevent the United Nations from communicating with one another through shortwave. The latest in this long chain of nuisance tactics is reported by CBS. Columbia says that the Japanese are trying to interfere with CBS's Far Eastern correspondents' reports to America on the war in the Pacific. One instance of their interference was to constantly butt in on a CBS program with, "Calling JAU2, Call in CQCQ, calling CAQZ.

Now this might ordinarily be the regular procedure of one shortwave station calling to another but the calls were interspersed with long beats, the telegraphed keys being held down for long periods of time. The brazenness and stupidity of such maneuvers merely reveals that the Axis is afraid that their own people are listening to American broadcasts and that the truth about the war is infiltrating into the Axis countries despite their censorship. Unmindful of the threats of death: penalties and the like, the people of the Axis countries want to hear the news and shortwave is the best way, at the moment, for them to hear it. So Germany, Japan and Italy must resort to childish methods of interference to prevent their people from listening to foreign broadcasts. These interferences are at most annoying, but do not destroy the audibility of the broadcast. Their efforts are thus a sheer waste of time.

Just News—Wednesday March 18 and Thursday March 19 should be set aside on your radio calendar. On Wednesday at 10:15 P. M. Owen Lattimore just recently returned from Chongking will be interviewed on behalf of United China Relief over WOR. On the same station on Thursday at 10:15 P. M. Wendell Willkie and Archibald MacLeish speak at a dinner given at Freedom House.

The Third Selective Service Draft Lottery will be aired by most stations on Tuesday March 17 from 6 until 8:10 P. M.

James M. Landis, Head of the Office of Civilian Defense, answers some pertinent questions on Civilian Defense over WMCA on Thursday evening at 9:30.

News Commentators—Of the dozens of news commentators on the air today, or have we missed count and underestimated the number of the crop, one of the most refreshing is breezy, drawing, Cal Tinney, heard thrice weekly over WOR and the Mutual Broadcasting System, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 8 P. M. Cal has been on the air for a long time and in many roles but the one of news commentator has brought him into his own. Cal's newscasts seem to be particularly the man-to-man type of broadcast. It's as if you met Cal on the street in front of the cigar store and stopped to discuss the news of the day with him. None of your mawkish sentimentality, particularly evident in some of our more well-known commentators, and he's not too abstractly analytical. Tinney combines a lively critical attitude with a realistic approach to a discussion of daily happenings both on the war and civilian fronts. We should like to recommend your listening to Cal if you have not already done so.



BRITISH DEFENDER



Celebrities Lend Art to Anti-Axis Show

COAST TO COAST

by MIKE QUIN

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

I'D HATE to have it written in the pages of history that in the year 1942, the great United States of America was sold down the river by a pack of snob bartenders.

This country is founded on the principle of equal rights for all races. We fought a long, bloody civil war to settle that issue, and if anyone has the idea his race is superior to other races, he's fighting in Hitler's army, not ours.

Our country is a hodge-podge of all the races and nationalities that ever walked the earth. Out of this melting pot has come a man called an American. His name might be Murphy, Levy or Marconi. It doesn't matter. He's supposed to be a good guy.

Down in Merced the other day a lot of screwball boozehounds refused to serve beer to Negro infantrymen and a near riot resulted. Tell me what you think the news clipping:

"Pictures you want? Pictures I got," says Gypsy Rose Lee, and sends Verto's gay portrait of herself at her typewriter. "My pictures are all in San Francisco," writes William Saroyan, "but am sending you four of my own drawings. They are very great. How are you? I am fine."

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"Harlequin."

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Sloan's

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THE LOW DOWN

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Spring isn't very far off. Not if this lazy weather is any indication. And in the spring it is customary for a sports writer to size up the big league clubs and pick the winners in the pennant races soon to start.

But this isn't an ordinary spring. This time spring is spoken of synonymously with offensives of armies, of wars, of battles. . . . So mulling the thing over a bit, and combining the two here's what we get.

THE LOWDOWN ON THE TEAMS IN THE INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE:

TEAM: . . . UNITED STATES

Nickname, Yanks . . . Manager, Roosevelt.

This team can be as strong as it wants to be. Has everything; speed, power, pitching and plenty of top-flight reserves. A young team but learning fast.

Has had some trouble with grand-stand managers who constantly heckle the manager, coaches and players. . . . These hecklers rumored to be opposition scouts. . . . Want team to play strictly defensive ball. . . . Contend falsely that pennant can be won only at home, refuse to support team when it goes on road, especially in the west.

But the team has fine spirit, united behind manager. Knows it must beat German team for flag, although some phony writers in the Telegram, News and Chicago Tribune claim the Japanese outfit the only ones that must be knocked off.

But fans in nation-wide poll agree most serious threat comes from strong German team.

Yanks are strong and powerful but popular clean-up hitter from Kansas, Browder, still not in line-up. . . . Three million fans in all major league stadiums clamoring for his return. Would strengthen team 100 per cent.

TEAM: . . . SOVIET UNION

Nickname, Reds . . . Manager, Stalin.

Writers travelling with this team for years sent home phony stories, mostly this kind . . . "Gold field, no hit."

Didn't have all its players in uniform during early part of game with German outfit so played defensive ball for a while. But soon reached full strength and started pushing Germans around. Won games at Rostov, Moscow, Tikhvin (night game), Kalinin and Mozhaisk. . . . Then went on to cop terrific double header at Staraya Russa and Rzhev.

Manager Stalin brilliant field general. . . . And coaches Timoshenko, Molotov and Voroshilov are hardened veterans who have been through tight races before.

Fans devoted to this team, cheer players, send 'em gifts. . . . Also very popular with fans throughout the rest of the circuit. Have wonderful rookies coming up all the time. Big, strong, healthy kids. . . . Full of confidence, always yelling "HURRAH."

Has been playing at home for some time, but plans to make western trip to Germany soon to play Nazis on home grounds. . . . Fans there like 'em too.

This team has the goods, doesn't know the word quit, and proved it by coming from behind to give German team worst licking it has received since new manager took over.

Doug MacArthur, quite a ball player himself, calls them the greatest team in history.

Should get stronger as the race becomes hotter.

TEAM: . . . GREAT BRITAIN

Nickname, Tommies . . . Manager, Churchill.

Picking up speed after very slow start. . . . For years were handicapped by fulminating, phony old manager Chamberlain. Under him team was strictly defensive, used to bunt with bases full. . . . Lost game after game until fans raised such an uproar Chamberlain and coaches were fired outright.

New manager Churchill promises to get sluggers in line-up who can win ball games. . . . Coach Cripps, just back from scouting big Red team in Russia reports defensive game on way out, must get sluggers on team fast in order to win.

Is now on way to farm team in India where the talent is terrific. These guys can powder the ball but have never been given real chance by British.

Fans in England crazy about Red team. . . . English papers carry Russian box scores on front pages. Mob news-reel houses to see Russian stars in action.

TEAM: . . . CHINA

Nickname . . . 400 Million . . . Manager Chiang Kai-shek.

Has big field, fences far away from home plate. . . . Visiting slugs haven't been able to hit one over the wall in ten years.

This team hasn't too much batting punch but they are the classiest defensive players in the league. Famous for long games, they make the opposition wilt in extra-inning battles.

Has many wonderful reserves but so poor they can't put 'em all in uniform.

But will never lose because this team knows what the score is and is composed of veterans.

TEAM: . . . GERMANY

Nickname, Nazis . . . Manager, Hitler.

Most hated club in league. . . . Has to have police escort wherever they play. Lot of ex-cons in line-up, also drug addicts. Don't know the meaning of fair play. Use spikes, bean batters, slug umps and fans, tear up the rule books.

Manager reported to be a madman. Goes into hysterics every time team is scored upon. Shoots coaches after every tough battle. . . . Especially severe with the coaches who scouted the Russian team and came back with reports that the Reds were pushovers.

This team is strong, but not as strong as press agent Joe Goebels tries to have the fans believe. . . . Got rave notices by "American" writers who travelled with team. . . . Especially Charlie Lindbergh and Charlie Coughlin.

Built up phony "invincibility" bunk by knocking over bush league clubs in Holland, Norway, Denmark, etc., many of whose players were farm boys by the Germans. . . . But had to go extra innings with tiny Greek outfit before winning.

When the team goes on the road, fans shower them with pop-bottles.

Expected to roll up big early inning score against Reds but were held to a couple of scratch singles and along about the seventh inning when the Reds began to powder the ball they started stalling and tried to have the game called off because of bad weather. . . . Were the laughing stock of the league after this.

In tough spot against Reds some time ago, Hitler pulled his clean-up hitter, Von Brauchitsch out of the game and went in himself as a pinch hitter. He struck out and the fans at home started a campaign to have him tossed out on his ear. . . .

This team has seen its best days. . . . Not so cocky any more, its reserves are very poor, and players are fighting between themselves. . . . But don't mistake it, they're still strong. . . . However, an All-star team of Americans, Russians and Tommies would knock them off in no time.

TEAM: . . . JAPAN

Nickname . . . Setting Sun. . . . Manager . . . Hirohito.

Front runners. . . . Learned their game from Nazis, but will soon have it un-learned by All-Stars.

Got off to fast start in game with Yanks, but that was because American scouts (Kimmel and Short) poo-pooed their slugging ability. . . . When the heat is put on 'em they'll fold up. . . .

TEAM: . . . ITALY

Nickname, Blackshirts . . . Manager, Mussolini. . . .

Strictly bush league stuff. Players won't give out for phony manager who draws salary from German magnates.

Fans disgusted with set-up, want whole mess cleared up. Hasn't won a game since sneaking into the big-time.

Whenever team travels to play Reds on their home grounds players break their contracts with Musso and sign up with Reds.

Mussolini is supposed to be manager, but takes orders from German coaches who stay in dugout during games.

TEAM: . . . FRANCE

Nickname, Vichy-ites. . . . Manager, Petain. . . .

German farm team. . . . This club has seen better days, and fans hope they will return soon.

Stars who won't play for Petain are shot and imprisoned. Fans stay away in droves.

SPORTS DAILY WORKER

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MacMitchell Proves Himself Really Great Athlete in Defeat of Dodds

Gruelling Mile Duel Most Thrilling in Garden Track History

When slender, dark-haired Leslie MacMitchell enters the Army as he expects to very soon, the armed forces of our country will get a man molded in the very finest traditions of American life.

Although the 21-year-old boy wonder of NYU has none of the color of Glenn Cunningham, Jesse Owens, Gene Venzie and many other track greats who emblazoned their names on the record books forever, this modest, pleasant kid will be remembered as long as there will be track meets.

And there will be track meets for a long time.

If MacMitchell is seen walking through the corridors of NYU with a proud tilt to his head, nobody will accuse him of immodesty. It is just the satisfaction of a job well done. And a tremendously difficult job at that; but done with the perfectness and deftness of the master artist.

The 15,000 fans who mobbed the Garden Saturday night for the annual K. of C. meet, the climax meet of the season, were there for one reason and one reason only. And that was to see the return match in the mile of MacMitchell and Gilbert Dodds, the bespectacled Boston Divinity student who learned to run via a correspondence course.

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